



HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL
Wednesday, July 18, 2018

The Citizens' Advisory Council meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. at the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

Present: Larry Aaronson, Thomas C. Beach III, William Brockett, Denise Brockington, Larry Buehler, Frank Chandler, Lesley Flaim, Eileen Harrity, Adia Moore, Peter Newman, Stephen Pidliskey, Timothy Pierce, Lorna Rudnikas, Dr. Lewis Saunders, Raghid Shourbaji, Camela Williams, Nollie Wood Jr, Chief Gary Gardner, Lt. Tanya Riffle

Absent/Excused: Janet Bahouth, Sandy Cederbaum, Britany Geger, Andrew Hall Sr., Linda Lee Hickerson, Jeff Kulik, Susan Watkins

Guests: Dominique Gordon, Morris Levine

Chairperson – Camela Williams

- Opened the meeting and reminded the Council that the meeting was being recorded.
- Introduction of guests.
- June minutes were approved with one correction; Dr. Saunders attended the June meeting.

Pathway Patrol Division - PFC Russell Burris, PFC Jeremy Holroyd, & PFC Benjamin Bowman

- Established in August of 2015 as part of the Community Outreach Division.
- All members must be certified through International Police Mountain Bike Association.
- Currently have 7 police officers in the unit year round for over 100 miles of pathways in Howard County.
- These officers are encouraged to have more interactions with members of the community.
 - Visit schools
 - Enforcement on the pathways
- Very versatile, the unit will assist the department where needed.
- Pathway Patrol demonstration in the parking lot.

Chief's Report – Chief Gary Gardner

- Ellicott City Main Street will be opening on Friday, July 20th.
- PLEDGE Camp is going on now. It is a one week camp, with about 24 kids in each camp, to help develop leadership skills.
- Youth Police Academy had 25 kids and graduation was Friday, July 13th.
- National Night Out is on Tuesday, August 7th, Citizens' Advisory Council possibly staff a table. Opening ceremonies will be at 7:00 pm across from the Maple Lawn Community Center
- Lt. Jennifer Reidy and Lt. Jeff Specht graduated from the Northwestern Staff and Command Program. The program is one of several that we send supervisors for advanced executive level training.



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- Spoke at Civilian In-Service which provides departmental updates, health and wellness and Narcan training to the civilian employees.
- Retirements at the end of June
 - Sgt. Chris Krieger in Computer Operations
 - Sgt. Alan Shaffer in Recruitment
 - Tech Cpl. Mark Thomey in Aviation
 - Al Hafner in the Crime Lab and HCPD historian
- A lateral class academy of three is currently ongoing. The officers are from Baltimore City, Westminster, and Frederick County Sheriff.
- A lateral class is planned for September and a full academy class in February of 2019.
- Crime in all major categories is down compared to last year.
- Opioid overdoses - 22 deaths and 103 non-fatal overdoses as of this date.

Old/New Business – Camela Williams

- Police Pace is scheduled for September 9th at Centennial Park. policepace.com
- National Night Out – If members would like to staff a table, please contact Lt. Riffle.
- Susan G. Komen race is in Howard County this year on Saturday, October 13th at Columbia Gateway. <https://komenmd.org/>
- Bylaws have been approved for change.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. There will not be an August meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for September 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.